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SOLD BAD MEAT.

Charleston Man Accused of Violating the Law.

HAD MEATS SHIPPED

of Agriculture, Which Caught On To the Trick and Gave Him Some

John F. Werner, of Charleston, is likely to get into serious trouble with the government over the meat inspection law unless he complies at once with the requirements of Secretary Wilson.

For sometime Werner has been in correspondence with the secretary of agriculture concerning the shipment of meat in interstate commerce This correspondence began last fall.

Refering to this correspondence the last letter of Secretary Wilson issued. Thursday to Werner, which explains fully the case is as follows:

'Disregarding all the instructions and advice which had been given you by the department, you wrote to packers having federal inspection, asking them to ship to you mutilated meats, and such parts as will not pass federal inspection.

meats down in tierces and to mark the same "hog tallow" and to ship them to you. as you could realize more from their sale than the pack ers could by tanking the meat. have instructed shippers that if they bill tainted meat as "tallow" "soap grease" no stamp of inspection

The department has conclusive ev idence that sour and tainted meats by you, in some instances billed as soap grease or meat unfit for human food, and it is the intention of the department that you dispose of these unsound, unhealthy, unwholesome meat for human consumption in the city of Charleston and elsewhere.

In one instance which was called to your attention you claimed that meat shipped to you as soap grease was so shipped because of ignorance on the part of the shipper. The department has evidence that this par ticular shipment of meat was billed to you as "soap grease," in accordance with your directions for ship

After this meat had been shipped you, you wrote to the department, stating that 90 pr cent of it was in good condition, healthful, wholesome and fit for human food. You asked that you be allowed to reship it in The statement reinter-state trade. garding the condition of the meat was absolutely untrue. The meat inspector of the bureau of animal industry, who reports that none of it was good and that the stench from most of the pieces was very bad.

'It is a well known fact that prior to the passage of the meat inspec law, jobbers in some of the southern states made their places o business a regular dumping ground for wasound, unhealthful, unwhole some, and tainted meats, and i seems to me that you are continuing in this practice in the face of the present meat inspection law. Your house is used for the collec-

tion and distribution of any kind o class of tainted, inferion, unhealthful, unwholesome, and unsound any conceivable way. A watch has been put over your incoming and outgoing shipments of meat and meat food products and this watch will be maintained until the depart ment is satisfied that you are com forming your business to the law. Common carriers leading into and

out of Charleston have been advised that the department will not accept our certification to the soundner of meat for human food, and tha will therefore be necessary for them, by their own observation and examination, to assure themselves affirmatively that any meat which you may offer for interstate com merce is sound, wholesome, and fi for human food.

You will note from the above that you have undoubtedly been an ac essory both before and after the act to the violation of this law, and unless you discontinue your practice immediately you will be reported to the department of justice for prose-

I surmise that the methods em ployed by you in conducting yo-business will be of interest to th health authorities of the city of Charleston and to the authorities the state of South Carolina. Accord ingly I have sent a copy of this ter to the governor of South Carolin It is further my purpose to giv copies of this letter to the news

DARING HOLDUP.

Moscow University Professors Re Heved of their Salaries.

papers.

A daring holdup took place at the university at Moscow, Russia, while the officials were being paid off in the chancellery seven armed men en tored with pistols and demanded the The intruders fied after seizing \$20,000 and decamped, kill ing the sergeant of police, whon y met at the door as he was about to enter the room. The universit is now surrounded by the police and all the houses in the vicinity are be ing searched.

Confessed to Forgery

L. L. Reading, a citizen of Ches ter, was committed to jail on Tuesday charged with forging the name of Mr. L. D. Childs to a number of checks. Mr. Reading came from Ohio two years ago to manage the Buffalo Lick springs near Chester. He has confessed the forgeries.

Four Greeks Killed. Four Greeks employed on Tide water Railroad construction work. were Friday struck by a Norfolk and Western freight train near Roa-

noke, Va., and killed.

BURNED TO DEATH.

A Spark Popped From Fire to a Quilt Around Him.

Power of Speech Returned to Paralytic When He Saw That He Was

Mr. John Terrell Wilkins, aged 78 ears, father of the president of he Mary Louise cotton mill was burned to death Wednesday morning at his home near the mills, and the flames spreading from his clothing, destroyed the house and all the household effects.

Mr. Wilkins has been paralyzed for a number of years, and he and his wife lived alone in the vicinity A letter from Washington says in Spartanburg county. The stroke of paralysis had made Mr. Wilkins completely helpess, even to the loss of the paralysis had made Mr. Wilkins completely helpess, even to the loss of the paralysis had not been also b of the mill, four miles from Cowpen of the power of speech-he had not spoken for a long time.

Wednesday morning he was as wrapped in a quilt, while she left the room to prepare his breakfast. During her absence a hot coal popped from the fireplace onto the quilt about Mr. Wilkins' person, and in a few seconds he was almost complete y wrapped in flames. Mrs. Wilkins was attracted by the smell of smoke and, rushing to the room where she left her husband, made frantic ef-

forts to best out the blaze

A remarkable and extremely pathetic feature of the sad accident was the fact that the old gentleman. who had for years been paralyzed, for many months robbed of his power of speech, thought even in his eral hours the young woman lay up dying moments of the life compan-lonwho was spending every moment her in the little room they shared of her declining years in attention together, to him and his afflictions. son, Arthu

self. Get out of the house, don't

Mrs. Wilkins rushed from the house, crying for help, and to the apartment occupied by Mrs. Eliza-home of some neighbors, but when assistance arrived, Mr. Wilkins had Pearson's son, A. Stoddard, a maalready been burned to death, and chinist, hearing Mrs. Jones tell his mother of the unuasual appearance

Mr. Wilkins is survived by two ons, Mr. S. B. Wilkins, a prominent merchant of that section and a member of the Spartanburg board of as-sessors, and Mr. Ball Wilkins, president of the Mary Louise cotton

SERVED THEM RIGHT.

Two Drunken Negroes Got a Good

Near Grovetown, Ga., on last Sat cillided their buggy with that of a young white boy who was in the oad just in advance of them. The boy remonstrated with them when

ple of what had happened. In a short time quite a crowd of of the negroes. They were found in the store of Mr. J. H. Koger, near he scene of the trouble. They were asked to come out and explain their ctions, but refused to do so. They were then made to come out. They could not give a satisfactory

explanation, in fact, their statement seemed to make matters worse. According to authentic reports the crowd took the negroes off about half a mile and gave them a good whipping, which was considered, by the crowd, to be the best thing to

do under the circumstances. FATALLY BURNED.

By the Explosion of a Small Tank

At Waycross, Ga., Homer Curry, 12-year-old boy, was probably fat ally burned by the explosion of the gasoline tank back of the Herald office Wednesday morning. The boy was filling a small tank from a large drum of gasoline when a match was ighted, causing the explosion. Another boy was playing with the Cur f lighting a match. The boy's lothing caught on fire and he start ed to run but was thrown down by ome men and covered with sand body being badly burned from hear to his waist.

EIGHT PEOPLE KILLED

n a Railroad Wreck Near Sunse Mill, Ga.

Eight employes of the Union Pine olls Saw Mills were killed in reck near Sunset Mill Thursday norning and others are seriously njured. There were sixty persons n th wrecked train. The train consting of flat cars was backing out nd the negroes were on the fron A tree had burned across the rack in a sandy place and was no noticed until too late to prevent the All the dead are negroes. several white men were on the en gine but none were injured.

KILLED BY SHOCK

Death Visits the Same Home Twice in Same Day.

The home of Mr. B. Feldman, of lacon, Ga., was visited twice Thursday by the angel of death. morning, Mr. Feldman aged 66 years passed away, and less than two hours ater his step-daughter, Miss Bertie Arnold, died. The news of the eath of her step-father was largely responsible for the death of Miss

Want White Labor.

A plan which contemplates supplanting the negro plantation negro laborers of Louisiana with State imported white immigrants from Euope was announced Thursday the State commissioner of immigration and agriculture. The State proposes to enable Louisianna planters The men- to engage immigrant labor in adstepped from track to another dir-ectly in front of an approching train violating the contract labor law.

GIVES UP FIGHT.

Pitiful Case of a Young Mother in Savannah Who

TOOK HER OWN LIFE.

After Battling for Two Long Years Laudanum, Which She Bought With Money Borrowed for th

Tired out with her struggles with overty and exclaiming that she was mable to care for her two small children, Mrs. Belle Baslor, twenty-four years of age, died at the Savannah sisted from his bed by Mrs. Wilkins hospital Sunday night, ending her who left ..im seated before the fire, life with three ounces of laudnum which she bought with money borrowed for the purpose.

The young woman pretty and well educated, had become almost entire y dependent upon the charity of riends and with one of her children was living at the home of Mrs. Car rie Jones, at No. 576 Bay street, west. Within two blocks of Mrs. Jones' home the young woman swalowed the poison a few minutes after she purchased it from a druggist on her room and prepared to die.

The poison was bought at two

o'clock in the afternoon and for sev played her two-year-old son. Arthur, unmindful of the rapid-Realizing that he was doomed and ly approaching death of his young that Mrs. Wilkins and the house mother. Mrs. Jones went into the was in danger, Mr. Wilkins made an room during the late afternoon and extreme effort, and for a second, re- noticed that Mrs. Baslor's appear gained his power of speech, crying ance had changed and her endeavor to his wife in plainly distinct, but to find out the real trouble resulted abored words: "Take care of your- in the final effort made to save the young woman's life.

Mrs. Jones went from the little room on the second floor to the of the young woman who was dying upstairs, remembered some strange remarks about the future world which Mrs. Baslor had made during the last few days.

Suddenly he became impressed with the fear that she had made an effort to end her life, and at once began a round of the drug store in the neighborhood. He found that a druggist had sold a young woman three ounces of laudnum in the early

He hurried home and to him and Mrs. Pearson, Mrs. Baslor told of rday 2 drunken negroes purposely swallowing the poison. Turning to Mrs. Pearson the young mother held

that her friend keep the boy.
"Take him and bring him up as they drew a pistol and cursed he should be brought up," request-him for all sorts of things. The boy went back home and told his deserted me and I can't find enough work to enable me to care for myself and my child. I will get out of people gathered and went in search the way now, but you must take care of Arthur.'

Suddenly Mrs. Baslor lapsed into unconsciousness and was hurried to the Savannah hospital, where a fight of several hours was made by physicians in an effort to save her life At 11 o'clock she died without once

regaining consciousness. Stoddard, whose inquiries re vealed the fact that Mrs. Baslor had swallowed poison, stated that he be lieved the young woman had intended to end her life for several days and that she was prevented because she did not have money enough to

buy a deadly drug. "She wouldn't have used a knife or anything like that," he said. She borrowed 25 cents from my mother at noon, and spent the money for the laudnum. We all loved her. Sho was nice and quiet and sweet.

would have cared for her the best we could if she had stayed with us. Mrs. Baslor's husband died two years ago and since that time she had been practically penniless. fore her death she asserted that she had been deserted by well-to-do relatives who should have cared for Her elder child, Earl, is being ared for by a family in Middle Geor gia, but the youngest, Arthur, had remained with his mother.

KILLED HIS WIFE.

To Get The Life Insurance She Carried on Her Life.

Frank Powler, a saw mill owner living a short distance south of Dothan, Ala., was arrested Thursday charged with murdering his wife last Monday night. Later Majo Adkins, who lived with the family was also placed under arrest as at accomplice to the deed.

The head of the dead woman was badly bruised, her jaw broken, with numerous bruises on her body. The coroner's jury returned a verdict that the woman came to her death at the hands of her husband. She is said to have carried considerable

insurance. Fowler claims that returning hom late Monday night he found his wife very III and gave her a dose of medbefore retiring. About one o'clock Fowler says he awoke and found his wife dead.

A young daughter of Fowler state that he killed her mother threatened her life if she told. Fowler was a prominent citizen and much excitement prevails.

Death of Brayton.

Maj. Ellery M. Brayton, died suddealy at his home in Columbia, Wednesday night. He was taken sick at 12:10 and within ten minutes had Deceased was a graduate Arnold, who was quite ill at the of Brown university and Harvard time. She was unable to rally from law school. For years he was one the sinking spell that followed the of the most prominent Republicans announcement. A double funeral in this State and had occupied a ed in an epidemic of bronchial all-was held at the family residence. number of positions. Had acquired ments among post office employes number of positions. Had acquired ments among post office employes a lot of real estate in Columbia.

It is thought restrictive legislation a lot of real estate in Columbia.

Can't Retail Beer. At the request of the Richland County Board, the attorney general rendered an opinion which prohibits bottling plants from retailing beer. This affects Columbia and Charleston particular ly. It was also said that county boards did not have the right to license other bottling plants not already named under section 531 of the criminal code.

FAMINE HORROR

Chinese Women and Children Sold Causes Electrical Blizzard and at \$5 to \$15 Each.

Are Catching Dogs and Eating

Millions of people are on the verge of starvation in China, and unless hey are helped thousands of them will die for the want of food. In

Advices from Central China report the famine condition as becoming worse. Middle aged women are being sold for from \$10 to \$15 and

being caught by starving people by means of traps and hooks, and are eaten as soon as captured These poor, starving people are in great distress and want. They

ry to the civilized world for succor

Christian America should help them

bountifully, and at once.

In some districts nearly all the cople in it will starve unless they are given something to eat from broad. Let us do our share. LOST IN THE WOODS.

Wandered for Two Days and Nights and Will Die.

man, is critically ill at her home in the lower section of Spartanburg County from exposure, bunger and wounds she received as the result of wandering in the woods two days and nights. Her experience was fearful and when found the old lady was in terrible physical and mental condition.

Last Saturday afternoon she left her home to visit relatives in Union County, just across the Spartanburg She took a short cut through the woods, but lost her way and wan-dered about in the forest Saturday night until Monday morning. walking until she fell from exhaus-

Searching parties searched for her all Sunday and twice were within a short distance of the old lady, but she was too weak to call, and the rescue party passed on. She was found Monday morning by James Lanford

She may not recover. Her body is terribly torn by stones and thorns. ARRESTED AS ROBBERS.

Two Highly Respected Young Men Are Locked Up.

At Chicago Richard O. Hoons, 20 coars of age, a student at Lake For-Hoops, a lawyer of Kokomo, Ind., is under arrest charged with robbing

Following the arrest of Hoops, detrunk filled with property said to have been taken from the Taylor res-It consisted of diamond rings, silverware and curios which Mr. Taylor had spent years in col-

lecting. Hoops confessed to the police that he had also robbed the residence of Robert McGann. In making his conlession Hoops declared that he was not able to say why he had robbed hing that he needed. He said he could give no other reason than his lesire to possess beautiful and artistic things.

AGED GOOSE

Said To be Over Seventy-Two Years Of Age.

William Yours Strong, a farmer near Caldwell, N. J., owns a goose which is seventy-two years of age he says. William Yours, the man I was named after, gave me this goose in 1871," said Strong. "Yours wasgoing ack to the old country, and he said Bill. I've owned this goose for thiry-six years. I would take her with ie, but I fear she cannot stand the oyage, so I will give her to you Cherish her, Bill; be kind to her in er old age, for she is almos like a sister to me.' Yours kissed the goose goodby," Mr. Strong add-"Look at her, she is as active as a gosling.

CHIEF OF POLICE DIES.

From Wound Received While Looking for Blind Tiger.

Chief of Police Chasin, of Fayette ville, N. C., who was shot on last Sat arday night by a negro, Tom Walker died Tuesday morning from the ef fects of the wounds. The negro shot two other policemen, one of whom is not expected to live. police were making a raid on the negro's house to learn if he was conducting a blind tiger. was landed in the penitentiary and Governor Glenn promised a speed; Court convenes at Fayette

murderer will take place. TINSELED POST CARDS

ville the 25th when the trial of the

Poisons a Mail Carrier in .Jersey City Postoffice.

The New York American says Frederick Huneker, a Jersey City letter carrier, is critically ill at hi home in Magnolia avenue of blood polsoning, caused by the scratch of a tinseled souvenir postal card. The edge of the card cut his finger. A few days ago the postal authorities of New York took official cognizance o fact that flying particles of tinsel o poisonous colored matter had result

Will Have No Effect.

Commissioner Watson when asked what effect the decision of the attorney general that a state could only secue foreign labor by advertisement said that there would be no ultimate effect, but that his trip to Bremer would have to be postponed for some time. Mr. Watson expected to leave

NEW SUN SPOTS

Kills One woman.

In Some Places the Starving People Pittsburg's Spring Day Is Suddenly Turned Into Snow, Lightning, Thunder and Gale.

Pittsburg, Pa., was visited Wednesday evening by a remarkable electrical enowstorm, amounting to a blizzard. Prof John A. Brashear, the emifact, thousands of them have already

nent a ronomer, had predicted it would come, owing to the influence on the earth of the sun spots he dis covered The storm was even more wonder-ful than the one which came several

weeks ago as per his prediction. The famine district is denuded of animals. In some places dogs are being caught by standard of professional professional profession and that a woman was blown up against a building and killed. Professor Brashear discovered his latest sun spots only a little over a year ago; then they were lost, but

he located them again Wednesday, this time not in a solid mass, but broken into several different and dislinct sun spots. disturbance tomorrow," said Prof.

'This is the time he has missed t," said wise Pittsburgers, for a nore beautiful Spring day would be hard to imagine

Soon after six o'clock there was a sudden transformation.

The wind sprung up into a gale. The skies were covered with a bank of black clouds, out of which

quantifies. The wind increased to forty-eight miles an hour. Then the skies were torn by great flashes of lightning, and peals of thunder made the earth tremble. In fifteen minutes the mercury had tum-

led from 40 to 26. Miss Sarah Stuart, aged thirty of Allegheny, alighted from a street car in front of her home, was seized by the wind and thrown against a

uilding with such force that she died a short time afterward. KILLS HIS STEPSON.

Columbia Mill Operative Shoots the

down the narrow space behind his bench, while the counsel for both At Columbia Lewis W. Byers, shot and killed his stepson, Oliver G. Lansides gathered to discuss the meaning of what seemed to them a delay At precisely 11.10 o'clock, urymen, preceded by Sheriff Bow rsett, filed into the court room and what can be understood Lanaham took their accustomed seats. went to see his mother and while A breathless sileuce fell over there he and Byers got into a discom as the spectators waited the unnouncement of the verdict. Byers was evidently ready young Lanaham as he literally "Gentlemen of the jury," Deputy Clerk Gilkerson, "have you agreed upon your verdict?" riddled his body with large shot.

It is stated that as many as eighty of the shot took effect in Lanaham's side. Lanaham was only about 21 "We have," replied Foreman Price handing the verdict to the court officer. "We find the defendants, James and Philip Strother, not guilty," was the message read aloud years of age and has been engaged in corpenter work. Byers is a man of about 45 and does not appear to have done much of anything. by Clerk Gilkerson. lived in the mill village, where the

ed Near His Home.

whom Mr. May had employed the

day before is suspected of the mur-

der, and the sheriff and a posse are

The body of Mr. May was discovered Thursday. It had been dragged

from the roadway and concealed in

the bushes. The body showed that

resumed that the negro was aware

The pockets had been rifled

that the money was on Mr. May'

FARMER MURDERED

Information was received at Ash-

of a murder mystery about five

authorities. Mr. George W. Way, a

prominent farmer, and one of the

most prosperous and well known

men of his section of the state, was

murdered on his place by some un-

known party. It is stated that there

is no clue to the gullty party, beyond

Mr. Way employed a short time ago

as a farm laborer, and who has been

AGAINST SOUTH CAROLINA

The State Government Can Not Pay

Immigrants Passage

The Attorney General of the Uni-

ted States has given President Roos

evelt an opinion on the South Caro

ina immigration case, holding that

It is unlawful for the State Govern

ment to pay the passage of prospec

ive immigrants otherwise than b

advertisments. Previously the solic

tor of the Department of Commerce

nd Labor, decided there was no vio

lation of the contract labor law in

the Wittekind case wherein the im-

nigrants were brought to South Car-

olina on money raised by subscrip-

Must Buy Their Papers

The railroad commission has de

ided that it will not pay for news-

None Can Pass.

A scientist says that soon every

tion, amounting to \$30,000.

when the body was found.

now in search of him.

The announcement was the signal the residence of Hobart Chatfield shooting occurred. Lanaham it is for an outburst of approval which Taylor, a wealthy resident of Lake said had a pistol on his person at Judge Harrison quickly silenced. The effect of the verdict was, howthe time of the killing. Byers has been in trouble before ever, instantaneous, and the report is that he has been James Strother James Strother reached hand of Mr. Moore, one of his coun of having shot a friend. The feeling between Byers and his stepson has ed by the friends who have stood existed for sometime and threats are

by the brothers since the opening of the trial. said to have been heard. Byers was arrested and is in the county jail. emotion, fell forward into her hus-WAYLAID AND KILLED band's arms, sobbing and exclaiming her thanks.

When the effects of the critical Priminent Georgian Foully Murder moment passed, Judge Harrison adiressed the jury as follows: "Gentlemen of the jury I thank Mr. G. W. May, a prominent and you for a verdict which I think will be approved by the public. wealthy citizen of Ashburn, Ga., stablishd precedent in the State of was waylaid and killed near his Virginia that no man tried for dehome Wednesday night. A negro

should be found guilty." After further words of approval from the bench, the jurymen left the court room, with the intention of going directly to their homes Shenandoah county.

SOLD HIS RAUGHTER.

he had been struck on the head with Italians Carry on Aviut Practice In Mr. May had been to Ashburn and New York. drawn \$150 from the bank. It is

A distatch from New York say notation for wives in Little ita rule steady at \$20 with the supply not equal to the demand. tions are brisk, the latest deal involving the sale of Mary Ricco, aged fifteen, to Frank Girdello. The girl's father accepted the closing price of

A Negro Farm Hand Suspected of Details of the sale came to light in the Harlem police court when the wife, with a black eye, tear-stain ed face, and very hungry, told her burton, Ga., on Wednesday afternoon story to Justice Moss, who held the girls father in \$1,000 bail for exammiles away which is puzzling the ination on the charge of failure to support In addition to being sold in mar-

riage to a man she did not love, the girl was deserted by her husband, after which she was refused a home by her brothers and her father. When she went to her father' home he beat her and turned her compelled to marry Girdello she go down on her knees to her fathe and begged him not to sell her lik a dog, but he merely laughed at her

Should Be Roasted.

Mr. Oliver may not get the contract to dig the Panama canal, but he will wake up snakes in Washing ton about the way he was treated. Senator Tillamn has espoused Oli that he will make it warm for some body when Congress meets again Someone has treated Oliver shamefully, and if It is President Roosevelt we hope Senator Tillman will give him a good roast. was not only humiliated by the way put to considerable expense in securing it. If President Roosevelt was res ponsible for this, then we want him roasted, and we do not know a maj who can do it better than Senator Tillman. He will have plenty time to sharpen up his pitchfork and when he gets after Teddy he paper subscriptions and that the will make it very warm for him. The newspapers taken by its members whole thing was more like child's must be paid for by them individu- play than the serious affair that it We are waiting for the fun t

begin. Kills His Neighbor. Charles Mathews, a prominent ro

ody will be insane. There are plenty of alienists now who will dmonstrate ident of St. Clair, Ga., was shot and the insanity of anybody desired instantly killed by James Swint, a There is not a man in the world who friend and neighbor. No cause was could pass all the tests for insanity. assigned for the tragetty.

REFUNDS MONEY.

THEY GO CLEAR.

ten Law by Verdict

IN STROTHERS CASE.

The unwritten law has been up-

Thursday at Culpepper in the case

of James and Phillip Strother, who

killed William F. Bywaters for ruin-

ing their sister under promise of

out one hour and a half before it

brought its verdict of not guilty.

ooth sides, but the verdict was not

ase were prominent.

The case had excited great inter-

marriage.

Perkins Reimburses New York Virginia Jury Upholds the Unwrit-Life Insurance Company.

> Says He Acted On the President's Advice for Best Interests of the Policyholders,

George W. Perkins, of New York former vice president of the New New York Life Insurance company Two Young Men, Who Were Charged and now a member of the firm of J. With Murder, Were Acquitted for P. Morgan & Co., has sent to the Having Killed a Man by the Name New York Life his personal check for \$54,019.19 to reimburse the of Bywaters for Seducing Their company for the Republican cam-Sister Under a Promise of Marpaign fund contribution made from its funds in 1904 in connection with which Mr. Perkins was recently made defendant on a charge of larheld by a Virginia jury, which ren-dered a verdict of not guilty on ceny.

Announcement of the restitution of the principal of \$48,500 and inwas tried for murder, they having terest to date was made Thursday by President Alexander E. Orr, of the New York Life, to whom Mr. Perkins addressed a letter inclosing est all over Virginia, and the trial lasted several days. The jury was the check. President Orr also gave out the letter. In it Mr. Perkins declares that in dismissing the criminal proceedings against him the court intimated that the campaign contribution was net for a proper orporate purpose.

inexpected, as it was plain that public sentiment was in favor of the two young men who were being tried. He again asserts that he was acting upon a request of the then president of the New York Life when he ad-All the parties connected with the vanced the money for the campaign contribution in 1904, and says that The jurors retired to the jury room immediately after Judge Harwhen the then president of the comrison had put the case in their hands pany rimbursed him, there was no Then began the most trying test of thought on the part of either of any the ordeal for the defendants. The personal advantage, but a belief that they were "acting for the best strain was most apparent on the face of Phillip Strother, the youngand broadest interests of the policy er defendant, while James apparentholders, both at home and abroad.'

ly, was confident of a favorable ver "In 1904, at the request of the then president of the company, I He sat in silence, listening to the comments of his counsel, and occasadvanced \$48,500 as a payment on behalf of the New York Life Insurhis wife, who sat at his side. As the minutes passed away the situation ance company to the Republican national campaign committee. I did this with the understanding with the became more strained, many in the court room taking the delay as an unfavorable sign to the accused. president that I should be reimbursed by the company. Subsequently prehend Ellison, though there is no I was so reimbursed. The payment clew whatever to work on. Judge Harrison, himself keved to high pitch, paced restlessly up and without any thought on the part al advantage, but solely in the be-lief that it was for the best and

proadest interests of the policyholders, both at home and abroad "In dismissing the criminal pro ceedings instituted against me accepting reimbursement, the courts have intimated that the payment therefore the reimbursement, was not for a corporate purpose. I therefore return to the company the amount of money paid by it to me, inclosing herewith my check for \$54,019,19 to cover principal and

A SPOOK CASE.

Causes a Sensation Among the Cult

If half the charges she makes are osures of fake spiritualism in the Budapest. sel, and Philip was quickly surround- history of the country can be expected as a result of the suit filed in New York by Mrs. Harriet E. Mrs. James Strother, overcame by Strickland agains t Dr. Hugh R. Moore, a spiritualistic minister and fronted Lauffler, but the latter de-

> conjurer of spooks. Mrs. Strickland asks \$25,000 damages for defamation of character fol him, however, and a hearing was lowing the quitting of Moore's secheld. Lauffer had told the officials vices, where she was employed as a "spook in chief." The woman alleges er in that city, and during the hearhat the patrons of the parlor discovered her to be a very tangible soft of spirit and she worked to quit

Mrs. Strickland says she will dislose sensational facts relative to the fake practices of Rev. Dr. Moore, of the first church of progressive spirits over which he presided. She says Moore has a complete staff of people of various ages who were spook actors with which he met any declients who wished to converse with oner. any particular variety of spooks.

KILLING NEAR HODGES.

David Gunter Fatally Shoots Jake Taylor on Monday.

About five miles from Hodges David Gunter shot and killed Jake Taylor on Monday of last week. Both were under the influence of whiskey at the time of the unfortunate occurrence. They were work ing at a sawmill for Messrs. Pruit They had been sawing & Smith. out a strand on C. W. Brissey's place out preparations were being made to move the plant to a point near oth parties are white Ware Shoais. and citizens of Abbeville county. Mr Taylor lived until 4.20 o'clock the morning following the shooting. Gunter was locked up in the Greenwood county jail.

Corpse Found.

The Charleston Post says the body of Mr. Edward Ingraham, who was susposed to have been shot near cainhoy by a negro some six weeks has been found jammed be ween the ralls of a fence of a ne gro named Collins. Details as to evidence of foul play are lacking, but is is fairly well established that he came to his death from a gunshot The body was builed last wound. Sunday near the head of the Cooper

Must Be Delivered.

Governor Ansel has warned the officials of the express company that lipuor must be delivered promptly to the consignees without regard whether the constables appear to be going to seize it. This arose from the incident of a lot of liquor being taken back to the express office in therleston because the wagon had been followed by state constables.

Mill Labor Scarce.

Much interest is being taken in rial of the cotton mill men in the federal court at Greensboro, who are accused of Importing labor un-der contract. Evidence shows great scarcity of labor for textile mills.

Battered the Train. Several charges of dynamite ex

loded just as the Pennsylvania Rai road's Chicago flyer went by pear Huntington, Pa., and all the care were more or less battered, two passengers being hurt.

HE SAWED OUT.

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A Prisoner Succeeds in Cutting

Through Iron Bars of

THE COLUMBIA JAIL.

He Took His Bed Ticking and Made a Rope One Hundred and Fifty Feet Long, Lowered Himself to The Ground and Hatfooted ft Across the Country to Parts That

W. D. Ellison, a white man, who vas serving out a sentence in the Columbia jail for grand larceny, made good his escape on Wednesday evening of last week,

Are Unknown

Ellison's escape was a particularly daring one. In some way he had succeeded in getting a saw and some files. With these tools he cut through six heavy iron bars, and tearing up his bed he took the ticking and made it into a rope 150 feet long and lowered himself to the

ground. There was also evidence on the roken bars that some kind of powerful acid had been used to aid in sawing through the bars. It is beleved that Ellison is a professional veggman, as his method of his escape is certainly not that employed by amateurs. The escape was affected between 11 p. m. and 5 a. m.
Up to last Saturday Doc Miller

and young Travis, the forger, occupied adjacent cells, and it is believed the three men were in a compact to break jail, but their removal to the penitentiary monday left them out of it. Officials believe that had not these men been removed just at the right time they would have also made their escape. The authorities are making a desperate effort to ap-

THE WAGES OF SIN.

Killed Himself Rather Than Face

A young man supposed to be Leooold Welss, the missing cashier of he Budapest office of a Hamburg shipping firm, shot himself on board he Hamburg-American liner Batavia as she was leaving her dock in Hoboken Monday, bound for Eu-

rope. He was taken to St. Mary's hospital, in Hoboken, where he died. When the Hamburg-American liner Kaiserin Auguste Victoria pulled into her deck last Thursday one of he passengers was a man who gave the name of Ignatz Lauffer. He was summoned before the immigration

authorities for the usual investiga-He described himself as a medi-Strike, of New York, representative of the college in which Weiss had been employed. Strike had received a cable message alleging that Weiss

nied that he knew anything of the The officials decided to detain er in that city, and during the hear-ing a young Hungarian woman appeared and identified Lauffer as her

brother. One of the persons present picked up the suspect's hat and inside found the initials "L. W." The girl then confessed that her brotherIgnatz had given Weiss his university passport in Budapest and had asked her deny Weiss' identity when he arriv-The young man was ordered deported and was placed aboard the Batavaria, where he was kept a pris-

SELLS HIS WIFE.

Then Asks Board of Charities To Care for Four Children.

At Rome, N. Y., Lawrence Weir, hursday made application to Superintendant Graves of the Board of Charities, to have his four children placed in some institution. Weir admitted to the superintendent that he had sold his wife for \$6 to a man at Highland Mills, two miles above Rome. The wife consented to the transfer. Weir has six children, besides the four at home. One is working in a cigar factory and one is with relatives. Weir is about 45 years old, and is emyloyed in a brass

Put Up Your Guns.

The limit set by the State game laws ended on March 1, and lovers of shooting had better take notice of the fact as the authorities expect to exert themselves to the limit to have the law obeyed. Some people are under the impression that the limit xpires on the 15th day of March, as n former years, but this is a mistake and the bill of about two years ago is thoroughly in effect now, sets the date as March 1, as above

Need Not Shave Negroes. Barbers in the State of Connecti-

cut need not shave negroes unless they wish to do so. The State Sureme Court has so decided. defense was that a barber shop was not a place of public accommolation within the meaning of the law, and this the court sustained. Sunday Booze.

Governor Ansel has written a let-

er to the express agent at Pomaria calling his attention to a violation of the dispensary law in delivering

whiskey on Sunday. The matter will also be taken up with Superintendent Sadler. Same Old Story. An eight year old negro girl was

ourned to death on a farm at Dalzell, near Sumter, on Monday. She was left alone in the house and her clothing caught fire. She was burn ed to death before assistance could be given.